

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR NEW AWARDS FOR FY 2003

On July 21, 2003, the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services announced the availability of funds ranging from \$360,000 to \$2,000,000 to be awarded for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 under three programs authorized under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The three programs are: (1) Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities; (2) Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities; and (3) Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities.

The purpose of program (1) is to provide technical assistance and information through such mechanisms as institutes, regional resource centers, clearinghouses, and programs that support states and local entities in building capacity to:

- Improve early intervention, educational, and transitional services and results for children with disabilities and their families.
- Address systemic change, goals, and priorities.

The purpose of program (2) is:

- To improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology.
- To support educational media activities designed to be of educational value to children with disabilities.
- To provide support for some captioning, video description, and cultural activities.

The purpose of program (3) is to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children.

Eligible applicants range from State/local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, other public agencies, nonprofit private organizations, for-profit organizations, outlying areas, freely associated states, Indian tribes or tribal organizations, and parent organizations.

For applications, contact:

Education Publications Center
P.O. Box 1398
Jessup, MD 20794-1398

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The deadline for submission of the application(s) is August 20, 2003. For further information, contact:

Grants and Contracts Services Team
U.S. Department of Education
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Washington, DC 20202-2550

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